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SHORT HORN CATTLE SALE LAST FRIDAY

Pulled Off in Lexington
as Advertised

38 HEAD OFFERED

Good Crowd Present and Fair
Prices Paid by Those
Who Purchased

The auction sale of pure bred Shorthorn cattle, previously advertised by the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis Railway Company, took place on last Friday, the 14th inst., with Col. Carey Jones, of Chicago, on the block, as auctioneer, and twenty-eight head of cattle consigned by F. I. Derby, of York Sumpter county, Alabama, being offered, with the exception of a few head which came from Henry county, all of which had the backing and guaranty of the American Short Horn authorities in the United States.

Col. Jones, the auctioneer, is a genius and we can frankly say that an auction sale, to be the best of successes, needs no one to conduct it except the consignee, to warrant the registration of the cattle and Col. Jones to offer them to prospective buyers. It was said that sixteen or eighteen sales were made, Mr. Nance, of Paris, buying several but those were most interested in were the purchases made by our own county residents, whose names and purchases were as follows:

Sam Taylor, Poplar Springs, Roan Lad, calved May 23, 1915, sire Comet, dam Princess Beauty, consideration \$55.

Judge W. F. Appleby, Lexington, Walter, calved Mar. 13, 1914, sire Apollo, dam, Lilly Dale; consideration \$70.

Bebe Boswell, Wildersville, R. F. D., Spartan Lad, calved March 28, 1915, sire, Choice Knight, dam, Pride of the Herd; consideration, \$115.

S. J. Walker, Wildersville, Mercer Rose 2d, calved Dec. 22, 1914, sire, King Nonpareil, dam, Yellow Rose; consideration, \$145.

S. J. Walker, also bought Red Pansy, calved June 9, 1915, sire, King Nonpareil, dam, Pansy 2d; consideration, \$200.

This may seem a small proportion of the sales to be retained in Henderson county, but the three bulls and two bred heifers purchased by our people will have a valuable effect on the livestock interests of the county, especially in that part lying North of Lexington.

After the auction sale was over Dr. J. T. Barbee, of Jackson, purchased a bull at \$200 and we are informed that another sale was made in the same way and at the same price.

Mr. L. P. Bellah, of the Industrial Department of the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis Railway, was present, taking general interest and it can be said that it was due to his enterprise and compliance with request from Mr. J. A. Deere and others of our people that the sale was made possible. The minimum prices at which the fine cattle were allowed to be sold, by the owner, Mr. Derby, seemed high to our people out it was their first experience at such a sale and they were slow to give the prices demanded. Those who bought are well pleased and join in expressing thanks to Mr. Bellah for the opportunity given them to make purchases with the guaranty of the American Short Horn Breeders' Association behind each of them.

R. B. Seals, Field Representative

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REPORTED DEATH OF FRANCISCO VILLA

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Continue

LOOKS LIKE TRICK

Find of Villa's Body Credited
to Newpew of Carranza,
De Facto President

On last Monday or perhaps a day earlier currency was given to the report that Francisco Villa, the bandit chief, who was being pursued in Mexico, by United States Troops, had died from a wound received at about the time of the battle between our troops and the Villa band of cutthroats. The find of Villa's burial place was credited to Carlos Carranza, who had exhumed it and was taking the remains on a special train to the city of Chihuahua. The information has been added that Villa had been suffering for a year from blood poisoning, which put him in imminent danger of death should he receive another wound.

At the latter part of last week, Carranza, the de facto president, had made demand for the withdrawal of American troops from Mexican soil, claiming that their purpose sought had been accomplished in the breaking up and scattering of the Villa band; but Uncle Sam did not seem disposed to quit the chase, and evidence of that determination being apparent, it was at once followed by the reported death of Villa—which report at once had the look of a Carranza trick to accomplish what the Carranza note had failed to do. As the matter has stood for several days, identification of Villa's remains by hirelings and partisans of Carranza would hardly be worthy of credit. It is to be hoped that Villa is dead, but the fact lacks much of being proven—and what the ultimate outcome in Mexico will be learned by "Watchful waiting."

Mrs. Ed Deloach returned last Sunday from a visit to Paducah.

To Automobile Drivers; Town of Lexington.

I desire to call your attention to the City Ordinance which was passed and published Oct. 1st, 1915, regulating the driving of automobiles within the town of Lexington, making it unlawful to drive an automobile at a faster rate of speed than fifteen miles an hour; to drive with cut-out open after nine o'clock p. m. on any of the streets of the town, or at any time on the Public Square, to take the left hand at any corner of any street or alley in the town, or to fail to give proper signals by blowing horn at all corners and crossings, or to drive an automobile on any street in the town after dark without front and tail lights burning.

The penalty is a fine not less than \$2.00 or more than \$10.00. A lot of complaint has been made to the Mayor's office by the citizens of the town relative to fast and reckless driving of automobiles.

I have this day instructed the marshals to give strict attention to this ordinance, and I hereby call on all the citizens of the town to report any violation of this law to the proper authorities, with assurance that the law will be enforced.

I hope this will be sufficient notice to all parties interested.

Respectfully,

C. C. Davis, Mayor.

LONGEST CONTINUOUS RAIL ROUTE IN WORLD

The longest continuous train service route in the world will be the culmination of steps now being taken at Paducah, Ky., to connect the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis Railway with the Burlington route, thereby forming a through service between Seattle, Washington, and Jacksonville, Fla.

This route will enable these roads and their connections to handle business from the great northwest to the southeast, and already traffic officials are working on a schedule which will be one of the tastiest in the country, distance considered.

This connection will be completed with the construction of the new \$6,000,000 bridge across the Ohio river at Metropolis, Ill., by the Paducah & Illinois Railroad company, which company is owned and operated by the Burlington and the N. C. & St. L. at Paducah, the road will connect with the tracks of the N. C. & St. L. and at Metropolis the

P. & I. will connect with the Burlington. The city authorities at Paducah are now being asked for certain trackage rights in the city for the erection of central passenger and freight terminals which will place that city on the main line of the Paducah & Illinois railroad.

The new route will serve such cities as Seattle, Minneapolis, St. Paul, Chicago, St. Louis, Nashville, Chattanooga, Atlanta and Jacksonville.

In connection with this arrangement, the N. C. & St. L. will have trackage arrangements will give the N. C. & St. L. its own trackage rights from St. Louis to the southeastern coast and Jacksonville.

The Burlington already operates through trains between St. Louis and Seattle. These run over its own tracks between St. Louis and Billings, Mont., and between Billings and Seattle over the Northern Pacific and Great Northern allied lines.

WEAR GOOD SHOES

If you want your shoes to last they
must be made of

GOOD LEATHER

If you want them to be comfortable
they must be

CORRECTLY MADE

If you want to save money on
shoes you must go to a house that
sells

GOOD SHOES

That are

CORRECTLY MADE

TRY US
TRY OUR SHOES
YOU'LL COME AGAIN

Thos. W. Stegall

Council Block—Lexington, Tenn.

JUDGE THOMPSON.

When the people of the United States read the fact that President Wilson had nominated James Wesley Thompson for the office of Judge of the Circuit court of the third district of Hawaii, they were not given the explanation that Judge Thompson, in the Hawaiian world is known as David Kalihi,

that he is a typical Hawaiian, handsome while black, a first class musician and famous football player. He has twice visited this country as a member of an all Hawaiian football team and again as one of a Hawaiian glee club. For a score of years his fine voice has been heard in a Hawaiian church as a tenor soloist.

IMPORTANCE OF LIFE INSURANCE

State Commissioner W.
F. Dunbar

MAKES AN ADDRESS

"Insurance is the Single Vic-
tory Man Has Won Over
the Calamity of Death."

In a recent address to life insurance companies and agents in Tennessee, Commissioner W. F. Dunbar paid the following deserved and high tribute to life insurance:

"I hold that life insurance is the most efficient and beneficent business institution created by human genius.

"When a man takes out a life insurance policy for any reason whatever, he does a wise thing, but when he secures it for the protection of those he loves, he performs one of the noblest and most unselfish acts of which he is capable. It also helps him, as it is evidence that he is in good health, of good moral character, and in good standing in his community. When he takes out a new policy, he takes on a new dignity. He thereby protects those dependent upon him and serves the state by saving it the possible care of paupers.

"True, it is his plain duty (if he can get it), dictated by both affection and patriotism; but it must be borne in mind that for thousands of years self-interest has been the mainspring of action; hence the prompting of the agent is a necessary factor in leading the thought to consummation in the deed.

"Life insurance policies are symbols of love and good citizenship. They throw a protecting aegis around the holy precincts of home.

"Life insurance realizes in its manifold functions, as no other instrumentality does, at once the highest aspirations that stir the human heart and the most prosaic and practical considerations of our earthly existence. Its ministrations are both temporal and spiritual. It has nothing to do with abstractions;

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Prof. J. O. Brown Honored by West Tenn. Association

All of Lexington, where Prof. J. O. Brown has so long labored in the schools, appreciates the signal honor conferred in the last week-end upon the Superintendent of our County High School, by the meeting of West Tennessee Teachers in Memphis, by his election to the position of Vice President of the general school Association for West Tennessee and also to the position of Vice-Chairman of the High School department of the Association.

Prof. Brown has worked so faithfully and efficiently in the profession of teaching that he has forged to the front among the best known men teachers, a fact demonstrated by the recognition given him by the Association in its Memphis meeting.

The Progress congratulates Prof. Brown upon the unsought honor conferred on him and wishes for him many more years of usefulness in the great profession he has chosen for his life work. If the entire school interests of the State were in the hands of such men as Prof. Brown, we would have less politics in the conduct of our school affairs and consequently more efficiency—an end to the accomplishment of which all should be willing to work.

ARTICLE TELLING OF PECULIAR LAW

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IN NASHVILLE BANN'R

Peculiarities of the Negro Race
Touched Upon and People
of South Criticised

There is a town in Georgia that is said to have the "queerest law in the world." According to a writer in the Atlanta Journal the law, which is known as the "anti-pantoting law," reads like this:

"It shall be unlawful for any cook to take from her place of employment, any victuals in a pan or bucket without written permission from her employer."

It is also said that the law has had most salutary effects, for both employer and employee. That it has made idle negroes, who lived off the scraps of his wife, and incidentally the small peckings, go to work on his own account. Likewise it has saved many dollars to employers who were called upon to feed the trifling members of the cook's family. The mayor of the town possessing this odd statute is quoted as saying that the ordinance is a good one, and he is of the opinion that other towns would be benefited by the same sort of law, the benefits of which are twofold.

That isn't a bad idea, come to think about it. Southern people have long stood in their own light in the matter of good help, and of good service from the people they hire. A Northern woman, recently moved South, gave this reason for poor service, and the scant service, rendered Southern women. Said she:

"You women feed and clothe your working classes, especially your colored help. Instead of making them pay for what they get, you clothe them in your old garments, many of them excellent garments, perhaps worn for but one occasion. Then you feed their families from your kitchens, and there they are; and—there you are. They are fed and clothed, and sometimes housed; but the housing is a small matter, since any little shack will do them, and when they can't pay the rent all they have to do is to get another shack, dodge the collector two months, then move again.

"If," she continued, "you will make them earn their food and clothing you will get better service, and will help to bring about a better state among the working people, white and black."

This, of course, refers to the shiftless class of the races. There are colored people who own their own homes, and who neither ask, buy, nor desire second-hand clothes and pan-route victuals. Many people load their cooks with food they really need themselves, for the reason that a cook is not found every day, and almost any sort of concession is preferred to the risk of losing her. But if the law take the matter in hand—why, as the old saw goes, that is a gray horse of another color.

A Nashville man who owns several small houses that are rented to negroes tells some laughably tragic experiences as a landlord. Unless he goes regularly once a week for his rent, and shall get to the scene before the regular Sunday spread at which many negroes of the poorer classes devour their pay envelope in riotous living, he is apt to get left. He tells how one week he failed

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